Proclaim November 11, 2013 as Veterans Day throughout the County of Los Angeles

Veterans Day, initially observed as Armistice Day, was declared to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of the truce at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 ending World War I and to honor those soldiers who fought for freedom, peace and justice. It was in 1954, by Congressional resolution and Presidential Proclamation that Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day to reflect that there should be a day to encompass all conflicts and honor those who served with distinction and valor.

It is fitting to acknowledge that whether in war or in peace, the residents in the County of Los Angeles (County) should be reminded to honor all veterans, the protectors of freedom who bravely sacrificed for the rights and liberties of all people. With reflective hearts and a sincere demonstration of gratitude and patriotism, the Board of Supervisors recognizes November 11th, 2013 as Veterans Day throughout the County.

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I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Proclaim Monday, November 11, 2013, as Veterans Day throughout the County and urges its citizens to participate in special services, programs, and ceremonies in honor of our veterans. Residents and veterans are encouraged to visit the websites of the Los Angeles County Department of Military and Veterans Affairs at http://mva.lacounty.gov and the California Department of Veterans Affairs at http://www.cdva.ca.gov to obtain resources, benefits and services available to veterans and to gain valuable information about the contributions of U.S. military veterans.

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